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5 **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**
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INVENTION: "METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE POSITION OF
DEFECTIVE SHIELDING OF A COAXIAL CABLE OR
CONNECTOR IN A COAXIAL CABLE NETWORK"

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that
citation and examination of the following references be made during the course of
examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

20 I. **SUBMITTED REFERENCES**

AA United States Patent No. 4,072,899
AB United States Patent No. 3,882,287
AL Japanese reference JP 0500246
AM German reference DE 196 21 401
25 AR M. Toki et al., "Detection Method of Surface Wave Direction in
Cable Systems", Transactions of the IEICE, Vol. 71, No. 4,
April 1988, pp. 363-364.

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II. EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

References AA, AB, AL and AR were cited during earlier PCT examination proceedings. Since References AA, AB, AL and AR are in English, no further commentary concerning their teachings is necessary.

5 Reference AM is in the same general field as the present application. Reference AM discloses determining screening effectiveness for screened cable.

None of the above references discloses or suggests a method for determining the position of defective shielding of a coaxial cable or connector in a coaxial cable network as disclosed in the present invention.

10 Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98. Except as provided, the undersigned does not possess English translations of the non-English references.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted simultaneously with the filing of the present application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) and no fee is necessary.

15 All claims of the application are patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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